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Honorable Michael A. Shipp, U.S.D.J. United States District Court Clarkson S. Fisher Building & US Courthouse 402 East State Street Trenton, NJ 08608

Honorable Rukhsanah L. Singh, U.S.M.J United States District Court Clarkson S. Fisher Building & US Courthouse 402 East State Street Trenton, NJ 08608

> Re: Johnson & Johnson Talcum Powder Products, Marketing, Sales Practices and Products Liability Litigation

Case No.: 3:16-md-02738-MAS-RLS

Dear Judge Shipp and Judge Singh:

We were pleased to have the opportunity to meet and introduce ourselves yesterday to the Court. Thank you both for the courtesies shared. We look forward to our work together.

At the conclusion of the hearing, you conveyed the Court's interest in assisting the parties in their efforts to resolve this litigation. We heard and appreciated Your Honor's comments. In order to advance this process, we strongly believe it is important that individual conversations take place which would permit the parties to share the history of the negotiations and their perspective in a confidential manner. At the conclusion of these sessions, the Court would be in a position to assess the potential for further settlement discussions and the process for moving forward.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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